TITLE: Dues management method in software circulation system in client-server network involves updating customer database in server periodically, using information from account management unit in client which indicates time of use of leased software, for calculating usage fee

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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

The method involves using an account management unit (102) provided in client which indicates the time for which a leased software (101) is allowable for use. This information is updated by constantly monitoring the use of the leased software.

A customer management unit (105) with customer database is provided in the server which is periodically updated based on the contents of account management unit in the client. Based on the time for which the software is used, is indicated by the account management unit, the fee is calculated for each user.

USE - In Internet.

ADVANTAGE - Restricts network connection to necessary minimum, for acquisition of software and payment of fee. Facilitates effective use of software. Enables reduction in circulation cost.

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